

### HOLDING PRESIDENT BIDEN ACCOUNTABLE FOR RISING PRICES

(Mr. EMMER asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. EMMER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to address a crisis hurting every household in America: skyrocketing prices.

If you listen to the Biden administration, they will tell you that this is a “high-class problem.” This is a lie propagated by those who have never had to do the mental math at the grocery store to make sure the amount in their cart does not exceed the cash in their wallet.

For Democrat leaders, paying 42 percent more at the pump isn’t a problem. I suppose the price of gas isn’t a concern if you are riding government-funded high-speed rail in Silicon Valley.

More than 90 percent of my constituents reported that rising prices are impacting their household budgets. Inflation is destroying Americans’ ability to save for retirement, buy a home, or build wealth. This isn’t a tax on the rich. It is an enormous burden for working Americans.

It is not too late to change course. I have introduced legislation to increase the transparency in government spending so that lawmakers will be forced to answer for reckless spending sprees. Moreover, my Retirement Inflation Protection Act will protect Americans from inflation-driven tax burdens right when they enter retirement.

This crisis is already hitting home for millions of Americans. We must act before it financially cripples generations of Americans to come.

### WHEN WOMEN SUCCEED, AMERICA SUCCEEDS

(Ms. BROWNLEY asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Ms. BROWNLEY. Mr. Speaker, we all know that we do not have economic policies that set women up for success.

The pandemic has put a cruel spotlight on these challenges. In fact, one out of four women has been pushed out of the workforce because the care economy collapsed.

We have a once-in-a-generation opportunity to change this paradigm, while supporting a tenuous economic recovery, by making transformative investments in America’s working women.

The Build Back Better agenda invests in childcare, paid family leave, home-based care, universal pre-K, and the child tax credit.

There is no doubt that the Build Back Better agenda sets up women and their families for short-term and long-term success.

And we all know that when women and their families succeed, America succeeds.

### STAND UP FOR SCIENCE

(Mr. VALADAO asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. VALADAO. Mr. Speaker, this month the current administration made the reckless and undeniably partisan decision to begin reconsultation of the 2019 biological opinions.

In its place, the proposed interim operations plan represents a huge step backward in California’s effort to protect, restore, and enhance the delta ecosystem and provide reliable water supplies.

The 2019 BiOps were built on years of research, comprehensive peer reviews, and the best available science. They advise the most efficient use of water resources while continuing to protect at-risk species.

These BiOps also allow for greater water availability for the Central Valley farmers that feed the world. Questioning these expert findings is antiscience.

I led the entire Republican California delegation in expressing our grave concern to the Secretaries of the Interior and Commerce.

As the California drought worsens, communities in my district face water shortages and farmers are unable to maintain their crops.

I implore my colleagues and this administration to stand up for these suffering families and farmers, stand up for science, and reject this outrageous decision.

### RECOGNIZING NATIONAL DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH

(Mr. COSTA asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. COSTA. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to recognize National Domestic Violence Awareness Month.

Sadly, domestic violence has plagued our families and communities in the Nation for far too long.

Each year, one in three women and one in four men in the United States experience domestic violence.

My hometown of Fresno has, sadly, one of the highest rates in California of verified domestic violence calls to the police department.

We cannot ignore these staggering statistics, and we must do more to address this crisis. This year, Congress passed the Violence Against Women Act and the Victims of Crime Act, or VOCA, fix, to prevent violence and expand victim services to our communities.

These bills would help organizations working tirelessly to uplift survivors, including the Marjaree Mason Center, the Centro La Familia, and the Valley Crisis Center in my district.

This week, the House also will be voting on the Family Violence Prevention and Services Improvement Act of 2021, of which I am a cosponsor. This

bill aims to improve services for victims of domestic, dating, and family violence, and we need to invest more.

I urge my colleagues to join me in advancing these efforts to end domestic violence. As chair and cofounder of the Congressional Crime Survivors and Justice Caucus, it ought to be our priority to benefit those survivors and provide them the resources they deserve.

### HONORING THE LIFE OF TOM CAVANAGH

(Mr. LAHOOD asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. LAHOOD. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of Tom Cavanagh of Springfield, Illinois, who passed away this past weekend.

Tom had decades-long service to Springfield and to Sangamon County. Tom was known as a loyal friend and a consistent advocate for taxpayers. Tom spent three decades in public service, serving four terms as Sangamon County treasurer and also county auditor, as Capital Township supervisor of assessments, and on the Springfield Park District board of trustees.

Tom’s years of dedicated service in support of Springfield and Sangamon County culminated in his recognition as the Illinois County Official of the Year in 2018, when he was serving as treasurer.

Everyone who had the pleasure of knowing Tom knew him for his great sense of humor and commitment to the community he served. Tom always had a knack for finding a way to provide better services at a lower cost for Sangamon and Springfield residents.

Tom will be missed by our Springfield community, but his legacy will carry on through the work he did to better Sangamon County.

As central Illinois continues to mourn Tom’s loss, my thoughts and prayers remain with his family and loved ones.

### FORD IS COMING TO WEST TENNESSEE

(Mr. COHEN asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. COHEN. Mr. Speaker, Ford Motor Company recently announced it is going to place a facility to construct electric trucks at the Memphis megasite in west Tennessee. This site is 50 miles from Memphis and has been developed for the purpose of industrial opportunities for people in west Tennessee who need it well, and it affects Memphis.

We are happy and proud that Ford picked this site for these jobs and for this important environmental effort to have electric batteries for vehicles and electric trucks. We think Ford will be a great representative in Memphis. They have been a good representative in Louisville.

As the Speaker well knows, Louisville shouldn't get everything. Memphis deserves something, too. I appreciate Ford coming to Memphis.

#### RACE TO GREEN IS TAX ON WORKING FAMILIES

(Mr. JOHNSON of Ohio asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. JOHNSON of Ohio. Mr. Speaker, the cost of everything is spiking, from gas to groceries.

One of the main reasons for these spikes is that energy costs are soaring. Affordable, reliable energy fuels our economy and our daily lives.

But some of my colleagues don't like the affordable, reliable energy that has built our economy and lifted billions of men, women, and children around the world out of poverty. Why? Because this energy has been provided by fossil fuels and nuclear power, energy sources vilified by many wealthy elites and the activist class, those least impacted by these high prices.

Make no mistake, when pipelines are blocked, new leasing on Federal lands is stopped, and mines are forced to close, working families pay the price.

This rush to green is a tax on working families, the middle class, because a larger part of their paychecks is consumed by these increasing prices on items necessary for daily life.

The American people should know, this race to green is not really about carbon. It is about control.

#### GOD BLESS U.S. BORDER PATROL

(Ms. HERRELL asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Ms. HERRELL. Mr. Speaker, today I am proud to rise in support of the brave men and women of the U.S. Border Patrol. I believe our agents need to know how grateful we are for their service to the United States of America.

No doubt they have rewarding careers, but these days it has become a thankless job. Sadly, the media often ignores the role our agents play in humanitarian efforts along our borders. They save lives and rescue women and children who are being trafficked and abused.

U.S. Border Patrol agents are some of the most amazing people I have ever met. Every day they risk their lives during confrontations with cartels, coyotes, drug runners, and criminal gangs, all to keep you and me and the sovereignty of our Nation safe.

It is time we stand in support of these fine men and women, encourage them with prayer, and support them with policies and procedures they need to keep America safe.

God bless each one of our U.S. Customs and Border Patrol agents.

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#### RECOGNIZING LEVI LINDEMUTH

(Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize a very special individual from Brockway, Pennsylvania, Levi Lindemuth.

Earlier this year, Levi was watching "Home Alone 2" when he was inspired to do something to help children who are in the hospital. Combining his love of gardening and passion to help others, Levi started Levi's Hope Blossoms.

Levi started selling flowers in his hand-painted pots and cans for a \$5 donation. All the proceeds from Hope Blossoms go to St. Jude hospitals, and so far Levi has made over 100 hope blossoms, raising nearly \$1,000.

Levi's efforts to help St. Jude's stem from a serious complication that required surgery when he was 5 days old. Now a happy and healthy 7-year-old boy, Levi is committed to giving back to children who were once in his position.

Levi sells these colorful planters and can take personal design requests via his Facebook page, Levi's Hope Blossoms.

When asked why he started Hope Blossoms, Levi's answer was simple: "I don't think kids should have to pay to be healthy."

Mr. Speaker, Levi is an inspiration to all of us.

#### AMERICANS SHOULD NOT EXPECT LESS

(Mr. WILSON of South Carolina asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina. Mr. Speaker, James Freeman of the Wall Street Journal on October 19 wrote an editorial on how Americans should not be complacent living with less, as jobs are destroyed while inflation accelerates:

"Selling the Joe Biden-Bernie Sanders era of scarcity won't be easy. And it's going to get much harder if the President and his legislative coauthor enact their massive new plan to discourage productive labor."

Examining the House version of the plan, economist Casey Mulligan estimates that by reducing the incentives to work, the bill's planned expansions of Federal benefits will cost nine million jobs.

Already, the COVID-era combination of astronomical government spending and money creation has resulted in too many dollars chasing too few goods.

Generations of them, American consumers, built the largest economy in the world and various online commenters have suggested a slogan for Democrats running in 2022: Expect Less.

In conclusion, God bless our troops, who successfully protected America for 20 years, as the global war on terrorism continues moving from Afghanistan to America.

#### RECOGNIZING THE CENTENNIAL OF THE TOMB OF THE UNKNOWN SOLDIER

(Mr. PALAZZO asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend remarks.)

Mr. PALAZZO. Mr. Speaker, today I will introduce legislation, along with 100 other Members, to recognize the centennial anniversary of the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier in Arlington Cemetery.

This Sunday, October 24, 2021, marks the 100-year anniversary since the body of one unidentified member of the Armed Forces who died during World War I was selected as the first Unknown Soldier.

Since that date, an unidentified member of the Armed Forces from World War II, the Korean war, and the Vietnam war have been interred into the tomb.

This resolution recognizes the ultimate sacrifice of the unknown soldiers interred at Arlington Cemetery and shows our gratitude and appreciation for all the members of the Armed Forces.

Since the creation of the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, members of the 3rd U.S. Infantry Regiment, known as "The Old Guard," have protected this sacred site 24 hours a day, 365 days a year.

100 years after the burial of the Unknown Soldier from World War I, the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier continues to be a powerful symbol of service and sacrifice, mourning, and memory.

I am proud to introduce a resolution that pays respect to our Armed Forces and honors the 100-year anniversary of the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier.

#### HONORING DONALD SNYDER

(Ms. TENNEY asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. TENNEY. Mr. Speaker, in the words of Saint Teresa, "Death is nothing else but going home to God, the bond of love will be unbroken for all eternity."

I rise today with great honor to recognize the extraordinary life of Attorney Donald Snyder of West Winfield, New York, who passed away last month.

Don was a gem of a man and a wonderful servant to our community. Don was also admired by his peers.

I remember Don being a very close friend of my father, the late Honorable Justice John R. Tenney, who always spoke so highly of Don as a person to model your career and your gift of service on.

Don served our Nation in the Army, and he returned home to start a country law practice in little West Winfield, New York, in Herkimer County.

Don was a wonderful servant who served on the board of Herkimer College for over 22 years and the chair for 12.